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TRIBAL CONSULTATION MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time of Meeting: 14 July, 2015, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Name of Organization: State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services

Place of Meeting: Nevada State health Division
4150 Technology
Conference Room 303
Carson City, NV 89706

Teleconference Number: 1-888-273-3658 – Access Code: 5658062

Places of Video-Conference: Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 103
Elko, NV 89801

Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
1210 South Valley View, Suite 104
Las Vegas, NV 89102

Please note that some of the agenda items were discussed out of order.

1. Jon Kirwan opened the meeting at 1:30 pm and requested a cultural opening which was given by Daryl Crawford
2. Introductions
 - ❖ There were no Chairpersons present in Carson City, Elko or Las Vegas or on the telephone
 - ❖ There were no Vice-Chairpersons present in Carson City, Elko, Las Vegas or on the telephone
 - ❖ ITCN Representation – Daryl Crawford
 - ❖ IHS Representation – Loren Ellery
 - ❖ Tribal Clinic Director – Susan Rogers

- ❖ Division State – Tribal Liaisons
Jon Kirwan – Division of Public & Behavioral Health
Jill Bernston – Aging & Disability Services Division
Julieta Mendoza – Director's Office DHHS
Shannon Sprout – Division of Health Care Financing & Policy
- ❖ Nevada Indian Commission Representation – No one present

3. Consultations

John Kirwin stated that the purpose of the consultations is to engage in healthy discussions and ways to collaborate and share resources and care for all Nevadans.

- ❖ Aging and Disabilities Services Division
 - Jill Bernston discussed some legislative bills that they followed – elder abuse added to sexual abuse and changed language to assist prosecution. Another bill was about long-term care training. There were some guardianship bills that were followed. She asked if there were any questions.
 - Loren Ellery discussed the need for improved communications with tribes, federal government and state government to assist the elderly on reservations. He also asked if ADSD had any statistics on services and laws to protect the elderly and disabled.
 - Susan Rogers asked about resources in rural areas and how to access them.
 - Daryl Crawford discussed the need for information exchange between State agencies and rural tribal representatives regarding programs that are important to tribal communities. Also, what services are available to go out to the homes in rural areas.
 - Jill Bernston suggested having a presentation that would describe the types of services, key contacts, how to access services and statistics to present at another meeting.
 - There were no additional questions or comments.
- ❖ Division of Children and Family Services – No representation on the telephone or in Carson City
- ❖ Division of Public and Behavior Health
 - Jon Kirwan gave updates: DPBH website updated, he requested suggestions and feedback. He introduced Garrison Nutt who has volunteered to assist with the tribal liaison project and behavioral health services throughout Nevada. Garrison will implement a cultural competency certification program in Nevada.
 - Loren Ellery asked how Garrison will provide services to tribes and it was discussed that Garrison would handle the local level and Jon would handle the State level.
 - Jon Kirwin discussed working on a policy between DPBH and tribes.
 - Jon introduced DPBH's Acting Administrator for DPBH, Marta Jensen.
 - Daryl Crawford asked for new organization charts as there have been a number of changes.
 - Jon and Julieta will put a new chart together which can be part of a presentation that explains the services provided by each division.
 - There were no additional questions or comments.
- ❖ Department of Health and Human Services

- Julieta Mendoza introduced herself as the new liaison for DHHS. She will send out an updated liaison list and will be working to update the website to include minutes and recordings of the meetings.
 - There were no additional questions or comments.
4. Jon Kirwin shared an interesting cultural piece about Nevada American Indians in Tonopah, Nevada.
 5. Public Comments – There were no public comments.
 6. Jon Kirwan requested Daryl Crawford to give the cultural closing.
 7. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 2:20pm